

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended) A ~~small~~ electric motor and motor housing assembly comprising:

~~a small~~ an electric motor body having ~~a pair of~~ spaced apart sockets for receiving and frictionally engaging spaced apart ~~parallel~~ electrical power supply terminals;

a housing supporting the motor, the housing defining an aperture over the sockets;

a connector body;

a pair of spaced apart ~~parallel~~ electrical terminals extending outwards from the connector body and receivable by the sockets;

a motor body gripping portion extending from the connector body, the gripping portion mechanically latched to the motor body thereby substantially preventing relative movement between the terminals and the sockets; and

a pliable member mounted between the connector body and the housing, the pliable member allowing relative movement between the connector body and the housing while the motor moves relative to the housing under varying loads.

2. (currently amended) An assembly as claimed in claim 1 wherein said pliable member defines ~~further comprising~~ a sealing member between the connector body and the housing.

3. (currently amended) An assembly as claimed in claim 2 wherein the motor body includes an end bell ~~sealing member is the pliable member~~.

4. (currently amended) An assembly as claimed in claim 3 wherein the ~~motor body further comprises an end bell and the~~ gripping portion further comprises a pair of arms extending from the connector body, the arms resiliently displaceable away from each other to snap fit around the end bell thereby mechanically latching the connector body to the motor body.

5. (original) An assembly as claimed in claim 4 wherein the terminals are insert moulded.

6. (currently amended) A connector for a small electric motor, the motor having a motor body with a pair of spaced apart sockets for receiving and frictionally engaging spaced apart parallel electrical power supply terminals, the connector comprising:

a connector body;

a pair of spaced apart ~~parallel~~ electrical terminals extending outwards from the connector body and receivable by the sockets; and

a motor body gripping portion extending from the connector body, wherein the gripping portion mechanically latches to the motor body thereby substantially preventing relative movement between the terminals and the sockets.

7. (currently amended) A connector as claimed in claim 6 wherein ~~the motor body further comprises an end bell and~~ the gripping portion further comprises a pair of arms extending from the connector body, the arms resiliently displaceable away from each other to snap fit around the motor body ~~end bell~~ thereby mechanically latching the connector body to the motor body.

8. (original) A connector as claimed in claim 7 wherein the terminals are insert moulded.

9. (cancelled)